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## EXPRESS MAIL

January 16, 1991

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF HS-11

Reginald Baker, Chief
Site Management Section
Indiana Department of Environmental
Management
5500 West Bradbury Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46241

Re: Feasibility Study Activity - American Chemical Services Site - Griffith, Indiana

Dear Mr. Baker:

Enclosed, you will find a copy of <u>Technical Memorandum Number 2</u> which is the second of four submittals required of the PRPs prior to submittal of the draft feasibility study report for the ACS site. As I outlined in a letter written to you December 5, 1990, the purpose of these preliminary submittals, which will eventually become chapters in the FS report, are to allow EPA the opportunity to provide direction to the PRPs concerning the focus of the FS report.

As I also outlined for you in that letter, in hope of facilitating the process, we have agreed with the PRPs to hold conferences with the process, we have agreed with the PRPs to hold conferences with the process of the comments on the various tasks as they are submitted to us. Our comments will be limited to a verbal format with written follow-up from USEPA to the PRPs contractor outlining the discussions of the meetings.

I will be conducting a pre-meeting with the RI/FS oversight contractor, who is also participating in the process, at 10:00 AM on Monday January 28th. The purpose of which is to discuss our individual comments on the enclosed Technical Memo and to combine our comments. We then plan to hold a conference call with the PRPs contractor, scheduled for 1:00 PM CST that same day, to forward our comments to them. You and/or your staff member is encouraged to participate in the two meetings.

In closing, I would like to stress to you the importance of assigning a State Project Manager to this site during the drafting of the FS. I believe that it is important that the State address ARARs and other issues now, during the drafting of the FS Report rather than later, so to forego major revisions to the document later based upon State concerns.

Mr. Reginald Baker American Chemical Services NPL Site Feasibility Study Tech Memo 2 January 16, 1991 Page 2

Please call if you have any questions and to let me know the phone number I should call to include you and/or your staff member in the conferences.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Swale

Remedial Project Manager

Enclosure